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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**

This amendment is in response to the Final Rejection dated  
January 31, 2002. In the above captioned application please enter the following  
amendments.

**In the Claims**

Please amend claim 22 as set forth below:

22. (Once Amended) A photographic element comprising a  
transparent polymer sheet, at least one layer containing an image formed by  
development of negative working photosensitive silver halide and at least one  
upper protective shield to protect the surface of said transparent polymer, and  
adhesively adhered to the lower side of said element a base material wherein said  
base is substantially opaque and has a transmission of less than 15 percent.

Please cancel claim 38.